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CONTINUATION AND PRIORITY DATA

Continuation in part of PCT/US02/23448 and entry into the national stage of PCT/US02/23448, continuation in part of U.S. provisional applications 60/307,198 filed on July 23, 2001, and 60/356,804 filed on February 13, 2002

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF Oct. 14, 2004 And PETITION FOR SSP EXTENSION OF 3 MONTHS

Petition is made for a 3 month extension of the shortened statutory period and the proper fee of \$510.00 is enclosed.

In response to the Office Action of October 14, 2005, the claims have been re-written by canceling all claims and restating them in accord with the examiner's suggestion, for which he is thanked.

The Office is authorized to charge Applicant's attorney's Deposit account, if any additional fees are due for the amended claims, which include multiple dependent claims. A fee sheet is enclosed with such authorization.

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-122 are withdrawn and cancelled. Applicant retains the right to present the method claims set out in claims 118-122 in a divisional application. New claims numbered 123-141 are presented.

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